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**MINUTES OF MEETING**  
**HEALTH SERVICES COUNCIL**

**DATE:** 3 February 2015

**TIME:** 2:30 PM

**LOCATION:** Department Operations Center (DOC)  
Rhode Island Department of Health

**ATTENDANCE:**

| Name                           | Present | Absent | Excused |
|--------------------------------|---------|--------|---------|
| Victoria Almeida, Esq. (Chair) |         |        | X       |
| John J. Barry III              | X       |        |         |
| Raymond C. Coia, Esq.          | X       |        |         |
| Steven R. DeToy                |         |        | X       |
| John X. Donahue                | X       |        |         |
| Joseph L. Dowling, MD          | X       |        |         |
| Roberta Feather, CNS, PhD, JD  | X       |        |         |
| Wallace Gernt                  |         |        | X       |
| Catherine E. Graziano, RN, PhD | X       |        |         |
| Robert Hamel, RN               | X       |        |         |
| Theresa Jeremiah               | X       |        |         |
| Jeanette S. Matrone, RN, PhD   |         |        | X       |
| Daniel Orgel, MPA              |         |        | X       |
| Denise Panichas                | X       |        |         |
| Robert Ricci                   |         |        | X       |
| Larry Ross                     | X       |        |         |
| Tom Sgouros                    |         |        | X       |
| Reverend Shire (Vice-Chair)    | X       |        |         |
| Robert Whiteside               |         | X      |         |

**Staff:** Michael K. Dexter, MPA, Paula Pullano, MPA, Amy Coleman, Esq.,  
Leslie Smith

**Public:** (Attached)

**1. Call to Order, Approval of Minutes, Conflict of Interest Forms and Extension for the Minutes Availability**

In the absence of the Chair, Rev. Shire, Vice-Chair, chaired the meeting and called the meeting to order at 2:35 PM. The Chair noted that conflict of interest forms are available to any member who may have a conflict. Minutes of the Health Services Council meeting of 16 December 2014 were adopted as submitted. A motion was made and passed by a vote of eleven in favor and none opposed (11-0) that the availability of minutes for this meeting be extended beyond the time frame as provided for under the Open Meetings Act due to the increase in administrative burdens on staff. Those members voting in favor were: Barry, Coia, Donahue, Dr. Dowling, Feather, Graziano, Hamel, Jeremiah, Panichas, Ross, Rev. Shire.

## **2. General Order of Business**

The next item on the agenda was the **Report of the Committee of the Health Services Council on the application of Genesis Healthcare, Inc. and FC-Gen Operations Investment LLC** for Change in Effective Control of eight nursing facilities: (1) Kent Regency Center (660 Commonwealth Avenue Operations LLC) in Warwick; (2) Grandview Center (100 Chambers Street Operations LLC) in Cumberland; (3) Grand Islander Center (333 Green End Avenue Operations LLC) in Middletown; (4) Coventry Skilled Nursing and Rehabilitation (10 Woodland Drive Operations LLC) in Coventry; (5) Greenville Skilled Nursing and Rehabilitation (735 Putnam Pike Operations LLC) in Greenville; (6) Pawtucket Skilled Nursing and Rehabilitation (70 Gill Avenue Operations LLC) in Pawtucket; (7) Warren Skilled Nursing and Rehabilitation (642 Metacom Avenue Operations LLC) in Warren; (8) Greenwood Center (Harborside Rhode Island Limited Partnership ) in Warwick.

Mr. Michael Tauber, Esq. and the representatives of the applicant responded to the Council's questions.

A motion was made by Mr. Hamel seconded by Mr. Barry, and passed by a vote of eleven in favor, none opposed, (11-0) to recommend that the Report of the Committee and the application be approved. Those members voting in favor of the motion were: Barry, Coia, Donahue, Dr. Dowling, Feather, Graziano, Hamel, Jeremiah, Panichas, Ross, Rev. Shire.

## **3. Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:55 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Michael K. Dexter  
Chief  
Office of Health Systems Development